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FOREST ACADEMY IN KERALA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the government of Kerala has submitted a proposal to establish a forest academy in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a) Yes, Sir. A proposal for establishment of Kerala Forest Academy has been received.

(b) The objective of the proposed academy is to act as an umbrella organisation for all basic training needs of the Kerala Forest Department. It is proposed that the academy will conduct Refresher Training Courses for in-service frontline forest staff, Orientation Training for "to be promoted" officers, Executive Management Programmes for senior officers, Professional Training and Training of Trainers. The proposal envisages capital expenditure of Rs.13.75 crore and recurring annual expenditure of Rs. 4.35 crore.

(c) The Ministry of Environment & Forests does not have a scheme to support the proposed activity.